



TOWN OF MONTAGUE

Finance Committee

One Avenue A

Turners Falls, Massachusetts 01376

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Joint Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen Meeting

Date of Meeting: August 7, 2013

Time of Meeting: 6:00 PM

Place: Town Hall, 1 Ave A, Turners Falls, Upstairs Meeting Room

AGENDA

1. Approve minutes of July 10, 2013 (both). Votes will be taken.
2. Welcome new Finance Committee member Lisa Adams
3. Review of submitted articles for the September 12, 2013 Special Town Meeting. Votes may be taken.

NOTE: Warrant is in DRAFT form and subject to change.

- Appropriate \$14,070 for shared Animal Control Officer (to be shared by Greenfield, Deerfield, and Montague)
- Amend #5 of the 5/4/13 ATM to place Town Clerk and Treasurer/Collector on the new pay scale.
- Amend #6 of the 5/4/13 ATM to place non-union employees on the new pay scale
- Change the funding source for #9 of the 4/1/10 STM (town building infrastructure) from borrowing to stabilization, and appropriate \$33,188.23 to fund actual town expenses.
- Rescind the unused balance and unissued debt of #9 of the 4/1/10 STM (town building infrastructure)
- Appropriate \$43,320 to fund the police contract for Fiscal Year 2014
- Appropriate \$17,962 to fund the non-union pay increases for Fiscal Year 2014
- Appropriate \$55,550 to fund the Town of Montague Employee Association contract for Fiscal Year 2014
- Appropriate \$23,420 to fund the United Electrical Workers (DPW and WPCF employees) contract for Fiscal Year 2014
- Appropriate \$18,015 to increase the Fiscal Year 2014 debt budget
- Appropriate \$8,729.40 for WPCF prior year bills
- Appropriate \$120,000 from sewer retained earnings to reduce the sewer rates for Fiscal Year 2014
- Transfer \$81,926.31 from sewer retained earnings to fund the Fiscal Year 2013 operating deficit resulting from emergency repairs to the sewer system.
- Appropriate \$800,000 to fund emergency repairs to the sewer system, to be funded from sewer debt.
- Appropriate \$1,000,000 to replace sewer lines on Industrial Boulevard and Millers Falls Road, to be funded from sewer debt

- Appropriate \$80,000 from sewer Retained Earnings to fund Fiscal Year 2014 operating costs resulting from emergency repairs to the sewer system
 - Appropriate \$1,967.93 for prior year bills of the town.
 - Appropriate \$31,220 for a new DPW Groundskeeper for Fiscal Year 2014
 - Appropriate \$3,600 for a court judgment
 - Transfer \$200,000 from Free Cash to Town Stabilization
 - Appropriate \$860 to pay the TFFD taxes due on 25 Sixth Street (now owned by the town)
 - Amend the GMRSD appropriation to eliminate the use of \$40,616 of stabilization and increase the use of taxation by the same amount.
4. (Mr. Naughton) Report on town-wide IT coordination changes that would be reasonable and useful and the Finance Committee's role in encouraging recommended actions.
 5. Update on Sewer Emergency issue
 6. Reorganization of Finance Committee
 7. Topics not anticipated within in the 48 hour posting requirements

John Hanold, Chair Posted August 1, 2013, at 5:30 PM